

ABSTRACT

A apparatus and method for estimating a channel condition of a forward link by a mobile station in a mobile communication system including the mobile station and a
5 base station for performing an operation of transmitting/receiving data using a plurality of subcarriers having mutual orthogonality. The method comprises measuring carrier-to-interference ratio (C/I) values of the subcarriers using a signal received from the base station; determining from the received signal a subcarrier for transmitting feedback information in a given coherence bandwidth; generating feedback information to be
10 transmitted over the determined subcarrier; and transmitting the generated feedback information to the base station as information for estimating a channel condition of the forward link.